IN THE CLAIMS

- 1 (Original). A light-emitter structure comprising:
- a platform;
- an In_x(Al_yGa_{1-y})_{1-x}P lower clad region formed on said platform and having a
- 4 lattice constant between approximately 5.49 Å and 5.62 Å;
- a strained quantum well active region formed on said lower clad region; and
- an In_x(Al_yGa_{1-y})_{1-x}P upper clad region formed on said strained quantum well
- 7 active region.
- 2 (Original). The light-emitter structure of claim 1, wherein said strained quantum well
- 2 active region comprises an In_x(Al_yGa_{1-y})_{1-x}P strained quantum-well active region where
- 3 $0.27 \le x \le 0.50$ and $0 \le y \le 1$ formed on said lower clad region.
- 3 (Original). The light-emitter structure of claim 1, wherein said upper clad region is
- 2 approximately lattice-matched to said lower clad region formed on said strained
- 3 quantum well.
- 4 (Original). The light-emitter structure of claim 1, wherein said platform comprises a
- $\nabla_x[In_x(Al_yGa_{1-y})_{1-x}P]$ graded buffer placed between a substrate and said lower clad
- 3 region.
- 5 (Original). The light-emitter structure of claim 4, wherein said substrate comprises
- 2 GaP.

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- 6 (Original). The light-emitter structure of claim 1 further comprising a cap layer that
- 2 is deposited on said upper clad region.
- 7 (Original). The light-emitter structure of claim 6, wherein said cap layer comprises
- 2 InGaP that is deposited on and approximately lattice-matched to said upper clad region.
- 8 (Original). The light-emitter structure of claim 1 further comprising separate
- 2 confinement heterostructures (SCH) placed between said upper clad region, said lower
- 3 clad region and said strained quantum well active region.
- 9 (Original). The light-emitter structure of claim 8, wherein said separate confinement
- 2 heterostructures (SCH) comprises InGaP or InAlGaP that is approximately lattice-
- matched to said clad layer, and placed between said upper clad region, lower clad
- 4 region and said strained quantum well active region.
- 1 10 (Original). The light-emitter structure of claim 1, wherein said upper and lower
- clad regions comprise concentration values x=0.22 and y=0.2.
- 1 11 (Original). The light-emitter structure of claim 1, wherein said strained quantum
- well active region comprises concentration values x=0.32 and y=0.
- 1 12 (Original). The light-emitter structure of claim 1, wherein said lower clad region
- and upper clad region are n-doped and p-doped, respectively.
- 1 13 (Original). The light-emitter structure of claim 1, wherein said lower clad region
- and upper clad region are p-doped and n-doped, respectively.

- 1 14 (Currently Amended). The light-emitter structure of claim 1 ± 4 , wherein said $\nabla_x[In_x]$
- 2 (Al_vGa_{1-v})_{1-x}P] graded buffer and said lower clad region are n-doped, and said upper
- 3 clad is p-doped.
- 1 15 (Currently Amended). The light-emitter structure of claim $\frac{1}{4}$, wherein said $\nabla_x[In_x]$
- 2 $(Al_yGa_{1-y})_{1-x}P]$ graded buffer and said lower clad region are p-doped, and said upper
- 3 clad is n-doped.
- 1 16 (Currently Amended). The light-emitter structure of claim $\frac{1}{4}$, wherein said $\nabla_x[In_x]$
- 2 (Al_vGa_{1-v})_{1-x}P] graded buffer is undoped, said lower clad region is n-doped, and said
- 3 upper clad region is p-doped.
- 1 17 (Currently Amended). The light-emitter structure of claim $\frac{1}{4}$, wherein said $\nabla_x[In_x]$
- 2 (Al_vGa_{1-v})_{1-x}P] graded buffer is undoped, said lower clad region is p-doped, and said
- 3 upper clad region is n-doped.
- 1 18 (Original). The light-emitter structure of claim 1, wherein said strained quantum
- well active region is doped.
- 1 19 (Original). The light-emitter structure of claim 8, wherein said SCH structures are
- 2 doped.
- 20 (Original). The light-emitter structure of claim 1 further comprising a double top
- 2 contact.

- 1 21 (Original). The light-emitter structure of claim 1 further comprising an insulator
- 2 stripe top contact.
- 22 (Withdrawn). A method of forming a light-emitter structure comprising:
- 2 providing a platform;
- forming an In_x(Al_yGa_{1-y})_{1-x}P lower clad region having a lattice constant between
- 4 approximately 5.49 Å and 5.62 Å on said platform;
- forming a strained quantum well active region on said lower clad region; and
- forming an In_x(Al_yGa_{1-y})_{1-x}P upper clad region on said strained quantum well
- 7 active region.
- 1 23 (Withdrawn). The method of claim 22, wherein said strained quantum well active
- 2 region comprises an In_x(Al_yGa_{1-y})_{1-x}P strained quantum-well active region where
- 3 $0.27 \le x \le 0.50$ and $0 \le y \le 1$ formed on said lower clad region.
- 1 24 (Withdrawn). The method of claim 22, wherein said upper clad region is
- 2 approximately lattice-matched to said lower clad region formed on said strained
- 3 quantum well.
- 25 (Withdrawn). The method of claim 1, wherein said platform comprises a
- $\nabla_x[In_x(Al_vGa_{1-v})_{1-x}P]$ graded buffer placed between a substrate and said lower clad
- 3 region..
- 26 (Withdrawn). The method of claim 25, wherein said substrate comprises GaP.

- 1 27 (Withdrawn). The method of claim 22 further comprising depositing a cap layer on
- 2 said upper clad region.
- 28 (Withdrawn). The method of claim 27, said cap layer comprises InGaP that is
- deposited on and approximately lattice-matched to said upper clad region.
- 29 (Withdrawn). The method of claim 22 further comprising placing separate
- 2 confinement heterostructures (SCH) between said upper clad region, said lower clad
- 3 region and said strained quantum well active region.
- 30 (Withdrawn). The method of claim 29, wherein said separate confinement
- 2 heterostructures (SCH) comprises InGaP or InAlGaP that is approximately lattice-
- matched to said clad layer and placed between said upper clad region, lower clad region
- 4 and said strained quantum-well active region.
- 1 31 (Withdrawn). The method of claim 22, wherein said upper and lower clad regions
- comprise of concentration values x=0.22 and y=0.2.
- 1 32 (Withdrawn). The method of claim 22, wherein said strained quantum well active
- region comprises of concentration values x = 0.32 and y = 0.
- 33 (Withdrawn). The method of claim 22, wherein said lower clad region and upper
- 2 clad region are n-doped and p-doped, respectively.
- 1 34 (Withdrawn). The method of claim 22, wherein said lower clad region and upper
- 2 clad region are p-doped and n-doped, respectively.

- 1 35 (Currently Amended). The method of claim $\frac{2225}{1}$, wherein said $\nabla_x[\ln_x(Al_yGa_{1-y})_{1-x}P]$
 - 2 graded buffer and said lower clad region are n-doped and said upper clad is p-doped.
 - 36 (Withdrawn). The method of claim 22, wherein said $\nabla_x[In_x(Al_yGa_{1-y})_{1-x}P]$ graded
 - buffer and said lower clad region are p-doped and said upper clad is n-doped.
 - 37 (Withdrawn). The method of claim 22, wherein said $\nabla_x[In_x(Al_yGa_{1-y})_{1-x}P]$ graded
 - buffer is undoped, said lower clad region is n-doped, and said upper clad region is p-
 - 3 doped.
 - 1 38 (Withdrawn). The method of claim 22, wherein said $\nabla_x[In_x(Al_yGa_{1-y})_{1-x}P]$ graded
 - buffer is undoped, said lower clad region is p-doped, and said upper clad region is n-
 - 3 doped.
 - 1 39 (Withdrawn). The method of claim 22, wherein said strained quantum well active
 - 2 region is doped.
 - 40 (Withdrawn). The method of claim 29, wherein said SCH structures are doped.
 - 1 41 (Withdrawn). The method of claim 22 further comprising providing a double top
 - 2 contact.
 - 42 (Withdrawn). The method of claim 22 further comprising providing an insulator
 - 2 stripe top contact.
 - 43 (Withdrawn). The method of claim 22, wherein said platform comprises a substrate
 - 2 that is lattice-matched to said lower clad region.

44 (Original). The light-emitter structure of claim 1, wherein said platform comprises

2 a substrate that is lattice-matched to said lower clad region.